

Will Not Down.

The most surprising information has come from Washington in the statement of the administration absolutely to terminate the discussion of the Sampson controversy. It is in pursuance of this determination that a reprimand is administered to Gen. Miles, and presumably the same end in view that day is dismissed from the service—part of sop to Cerberus, says the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

President Roosevelt imagines that he can stop discussion of the war, even in army and navy circles, he has undertaken the most serious task known since Mrs. Tilton undertook to sweep back the ocean with her broom. Great questions are never suppressed, more suppression is attempted, more violent is their outbreak, if there is a great moral question doing of justice is one. Our nation demands justice even to the poorest and meanest citizen of the public, and nothing can call out more than an open and honest refusal of justice.

President Roosevelt so soon forgets the experience of our sister of France in the Dreyfus case. What a tremendous effort was made to suppress discussion of that incident was closed, and that further would be done, but again public sentiment at the barriers, as pent-up steam, the fastenings put about it, the only effect of the government's to perpetuate injustice was to intensify its own disgrace to the world.

Such attempts have never been successful. There was never a more honest government than that of the old Mormon church in Utah—one that had such absolute control over the consciences of its members. It undertook to suppress discussion of the Mountain Meadow massacre and to protect the offenders. It seemed to succeed for a while, but the task was beyond it. At length the full details of the awful crime were brought to light. It took ten years to do it, but at the end of that time John D. Lee was at the scene of his great

commission of the injustice to Ad-Schley will not be suppressed, but fairly begun. Men are waking to it, rubbing their eyes and wondering if they see and might. Every move that comes the fear that the administration is to let this injustice stand will be the storm of protest against it. There is no possibility of mistaking sentiment on this subject, and there is no possibility that public sentiment will not make itself heard.

Macley Fired Without Ado.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Edgar Stanton has been discharged by the president. Macley's was on the books of the navy department as a skilled laborer, in the line of the naval history, in the line of which he sharply criticized Macley and denounced Macley, politician and coward. Macley Long sent Macley a letter yesterday requesting his resignation. Macley replied to Secretary Stanton by a letter saying he could not be discharged because of service roles protected him. Macley Long took the letter to the president, after which the following dispatch was sent to Rear Admiral A. S. Barker, U. S. N., Commandant Navy Yard, New York.

Washington, Dec. 24.—By direct order of the president, Edgar S. Macley is discharged. Notify him. LONG.

Macley Long said the action taken would dispose of the case finally.

Held Up A Cashier.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 24.—The St. Louis Post-Dispatch reports that a daring robbery last night of a bank in the city. Two masked men entered the bank and while one guarded the cashier and the other searched the employees' pay. Nearly \$10,000 was stolen. The men are believed to be former employees of the bank. The robbers showed familiarity with the surroundings and stood off persons by firing shots.

Apple Orchards.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 24.—The St. Louis Post-Dispatch reports that the orchards in America. This year 40,000 barrels of apples

were grown there. One man, Colonel A. B. Matthews, has an orchard containing 15,000 trees. With its vast orchards, beautiful farming land and splendid coal mines, Mayview ought to become one of the leading points in good old Lafayette.—Oak Grove Banner.

Died Christmas Eve

On the afternoon of December 24, at the home of his son, H. Williamson, in Lexington, occurred the death of Alexander L. Williamson, aged 78 years. Death was due to general debility consequent upon old age.

Mr. Williamson was born in Bourbon county, Ky., but came to Missouri many years ago. He was a member of the Christian church and bore his sufferings with Christian fortitude.

The funeral took place Christmas day, services being held at the home at 3 o'clock p. m. by Elder E. J. Fenstermacher. Interment at Maple Hill.

Schley Gets His Pittance.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Rear Admiral Schley has received from the treasury department a warrant for \$3,334 for his share of the prize money growing out of the naval battle of Santiago. Admiral Sampson, who "was 10 miles or so away," will receive over \$20,000 as his claim to being in supreme command, is held just by the navy department.

Bates City Woodmen.

A new Modern Woodman camp has been organized at Bates City and is known as Bates City Camp No. 10,358. Officers were elected as follows:

J. W. Mathews, V. C.; Chas. Rumbaugh, W. A.; J. N. Kinnam, E. B.; J. O. Hudson, Clerk; S. T. Perry, Escort; Will Hies, Watchman; Mr. Strait, Sentry; Dr. E. F. Gaines, C. P.; Hiram Kelly, Mr. McDade, Managers.

Found Lying On Her Stove.

Nevada, Mo., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Ellen Shatt, aged 58 years was found dead on her range stove here. The body was horribly burned. Smoke from the clothing attracted neighbors and led to the discovery.

True it is, and always has been, that cheerfulness is riches that cannot be taxed.—January Ladies' Home Journal.

V. C. Dickinson, who spent Xmas with Lexington relatives and friends, left Thursday afternoon for his home at Kansas City.

Education is not an extensive apparatus and vast libraries, but in the touch of life upon life.—January Ladies' Home Journal.

It is all but useless to plant seeds when the springtime is gone; the harvest of character must depend in part upon planting the soil in the time of awakening.—January Ladies' Home Journal.

A Lathrop young man who called on a girl two miles from Lawson and had to walk home says that he is determined to find out how he stands with her before he will miss the train again.

The great need of this country is more hotels. Booker T. Washington walked all over Springfield, Mass., and found all the hostilities full. And there wasn't a convention in town, either.

There is trouble at Glasgow between a once loving couple. He was talking to her over the telephone and ardently called her his "star of hope." She understood him to say "star of soap," and of course got mad.

There is no danger of the republican nomination for attorney general of Kansas going begging. There are several avowed candidates for the place, and still more who are not dodging the lightning.

The Lee's Summit Journal, Carrollton Democrat and Columbia Herald got out beautiful holiday editions, each of which would be a credit to any printing office in the country. Missouri excels in everything, notably her newspapers.

A force of Boers, under Commander Maritz, recently attacked Tontitbaschkop. After this feat, whatever else may be said of them, no one can accuse them of being cowards. It takes a brave man to tackle a town with a name like that.

Christmas day in Lexington was a very quiet one indeed. The Christmas trees at the various churches Tuesday night and accompanying appropriate exercises were well attended regardless of the inclemency of the weather. A light rain began falling in the early evening and continued until late along in the night. At the Christian church donations were quite liberal for the Christmas Orphan's Home at St. Louis.

DIFFICULT QUESTIONS

Getting a pair of new shoes is a cause of worry to most people, and the following difficult questions naturally arise:

? Where can I find a shoe that fits comfortably?
? Where can I find the best quality in a shoe?
? Where can I find the best Shoe for the money?

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M. D. WILSON.

Henry Hoehn spent Friday at Sedalia on business.

Porter Phillips, of El Paso, Texas, is visiting friends in Lafayette county.

See the newest, "A Breezy Time." It is to laugh. New Grand, Dec. 30.

H. J. Campbell returned Thursday afternoon from a visit with relatives at Higginsville.

Charles Lyons has returned from a visit with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. James Lyons.

I. P. Ryland has returned to Kansas City after a visit with his father, Judge John E. Ryland.

William Gratz, of Cincinnati, after a visit at home, left Saturday morning for Nashville, Tenn.

Miss Florence Hall went to Kansas City Thursday morning to visit her sister, Mrs. W. A. Brannock.

Mr. and Mrs. Talbot Simpson and two little sons returned to their home near Aulville Thursday morning.

Miss Mattie Littlejohn arrived from Aulville Wednesday afternoon to visit her sister, Mrs. John Welborn.

Steamboating on the Missouri is to be revived. Two boats will be run between Booneville and St. Louis next spring.

David Gratz left Thursday night for his home at Cincinnati, after a visit with Lexington relatives and friends.

Miss Sara Stewart has returned to her home at Kansas City, after a visit with her friend, Miss Frances Grimes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bard came up from Sedalia Tuesday afternoon and spent Christmas day with the family of J. C. McGrew.

Mrs. R. A. Wilson and son, Robert, went to Kansas City Tuesday morning to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Thomas Callaway and daughter, Miss Annie, have gone to Kansas City to spend a couple of weeks with relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. H. Campbell went to Higginsville Thursday morning to spend the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. S. B. Whiting.

Miss Mary Ridings is visiting her friend, Miss Eva Frick, at Kansas City and attending the meeting of the State Teachers' association.

Dr. Z. M. Williams and wife left Monday morning for Gailatin to spend the holidays with Mrs. Williams' mother, Mrs. F. D. Yates.

Misses Nellie Martin and Bessie Campbell, students at the Baptist Female college, at Lexington, are spending the holidays with home folks.—Odessa Oracle.

A WOMAN'S BOARD OF TRADE

Revel Organization in Santa Fe, N. M., Unique Theory of its Effect on Body and Its Work

A novelty in the way of women's clubs is the woman's board of trade of Santa Fe, N. M., says the New York Herald. It was first organized in 1893 for the purpose of enabling its members to visit the world's fair at Chicago. It took to itself the name "Board of Trade" to denote its practical objects. After the exposition it turned its attention to city improvement.

Santa Fe, like all cities, both in old and New Mexico, has a plaza in the center of the town. The plaza at Santa Fe is a place of great historic interest, many of the salient events of the history of the territory having occurred there. On one side it is bounded by the governor's palace, a long adobe building which has been the seat of authority ever since New Mexico was a crown colony of Spain.

With this interesting old building on one side and the best shops and hotels of the city on the other three, the plaza should have been an ornament to the town. Instead, it was sunken and irregular in surface, covered with a rank growth of alfalfa and surrounded by an old wooden fence. The Woman's Board of Trade took vigorous possession of the plaza. They transformed the surface into a fine level lawn, replaced the old fence with an elegant stone coping and erected a handsome drinking fountain. This was not only an achievement in itself, but gave an impetus to like improvements throughout the city.

The board has also established a free library and reading room, which now contains several thousand good volumes. It has a visiting and relief committee, which looks after strangers and gives them a welcome, a boon in a city to which so many sick and unfortunate victims of tuberculosis bend their steps. It also has a committee on prevention of cruelty to animals. The board is recognized by taxpayers and city government as an active factor in successful municipal government.

Notwithstanding its splendid achievements it has no command of public funds, but such is its standing in the community that it has never had any trouble in raising sufficient money for its work.

A. E. Hortenstein, formerly of Lexington, now a resident of Terre Haute, Indiana, arrived Thursday morning to look after business interests.

Charles Royle and Presley Boteler, of Kansas City, spent Christmas day with home folks in Lexington, and Mr. Royle's son, Milton, returned home with him.

J. H. Cordell and daughter, Miss Annie, of Prescott, Ark., while en route to Kansas City, stopped over and spent Thursday night with Mrs. M. V. L. McClelland.

The Rev. Dr. Manly and H. W. Winsor left Friday morning for Kingsville to attend a meeting of the Baptist association of Lafayette and Johnson counties.

Claude Price and wife arrived Tuesday night to visit relatives. Mr. Price returned to Kansas City Wednesday afternoon but Mrs. Price will remain until after New Year's.

The Christmas tree, accompanied by a literary and musical programme at the German Methodist church Thursday night, was a delightful holiday event. The recitations were appropriate and enjoyable and the music added a delightful charm. The attendance was large.

The rustic drama, "Way Down East," which comes to the New Grand Thursday, January 2, continues to do a record-breaking business everywhere. It has been proven that it has made more records for long runs than any piece produced for several generations.

Sullivan's island, known on the official records of Missouri as "Island No. 7," three miles west of Lexington, has been sold by Colonel J. S. Sullivan, of Jefferson City, to nineteen purchasers. The aggregate price paid was \$43,873 for the 1,865 acres of made land. This is the island alleged to have been started in formation by drift around an Indian's stranded canoe. The island was stranded recently and added to the records of Ray county.

John, who has bought the saddle? "I'm sure I don't know, sir," said the foreman, scratching his head, as if he were trying to think. "I cannot tell, and the worst part of it is, it hasn't been paid for. While I was at work in the back of the shop a gentleman came in, priced it, decided to take it, told me to charge it, and, throwing it into his dog-cart, drove off before I could think to ask his name."

"That was very stupid of you," said the harness maker, disposed to be angry at the man's carelessness. "Very likely we have been robbed."

"I don't think that, sir," said the foreman, "for I am very sure that the gentleman has traded here before."

"Well, I can't afford to lose the money," said the harness maker. "We'll have to find out who took it and send him the bill. Ah!" he added, with a smile, after a moment's reflection, "I have it. We'll charge it up to the account of every one of our customers who keep open accounts here. Those who didn't get it will refuse to pay, so we shall be all right."

The bookkeeper was instructed to do this, and the bills in due course of time went out. Some weeks later the harness maker asked the bookkeeper if he had succeeded in discovering who the customer was.

"No, sir," he replied, "and we never shall, I fear, sir, for about 40 people have paid for it already without saying a word."—London Tit-Bits.

The Automatic Bouncer.

A novel invention is now much used in the north of England. It is a sort of automatic "bouncer" for use in public houses. Punctually at closing time the legend: "Time, please, gentlemen," appears on a glass face, and then an electric gong starts ringing with such amazing power that it becomes quite impossible for even the most enthusiastic toper to occupy the bar for another instant.

COLOR STIRS THE SOUL.

Unique Theory of its Effect on Body and Mind.

During his rest in Los Angeles, Rev. Robert McIntyre, of Chicago, will watch the success of "The Modern Apollon," his first novel, just published. Whether or not it shall be his last novel, its success will decide.

"I have a pet theory," he said, "that for years I have looked for suggestions and an opportunity to develop an individual line. This is the theory of color in its relation to mind and body and spirit. The possibilities of the thought have recurred to me so repeatedly and with such force that I cannot help believing there is a future for it."

"The three primary colors—red, blue and yellow—are the colors each of the body, the mind and the spirit, and respond each to its own."

"Red belongs to the body, and the animal instinct of every being responds to it. It has lately been discovered that it is the color, not the odor of blood, that arouses the thirst for it in the wild animal. It is the color of blood instead of the smell that changes the tame tiger into a wild one and restores its old nature. The well-known instance of the passion of the bull, when it catches sight of a red rag, is a good illustration."

"When a boy I used to fish for bullfrogs with a bit of red flannel. It is the best kind of bait, and all of up boys caught more frogs that way than any other. No end of instances and animal peculiarities carry out the same idea."

"Blue is the color of the mind. The color is restful to it, and refreshes after long thought. A sight of blue sky when the sun is not too bright is responsive and suggestive to the thought and calms one more quickly than anything else. Some people who have understood the idea partially have put blue rooms in their homes, and have taken care that the library especially should have a blue tint."

"The most difficult part of my theory, but by far the most fascinating and wonderful, is the response of the inner spirit, or the soul's mind, to yellow. An experience of my own has always been a marvel to me, and I have never found anyone who could explain."

"I was driving one day in the country alone. It was summertime, and the whole country was growing wild with great yellow, old-fashioned 'niggerheads.'"

"As I turned a bend in the road I came upon a perfect ocean of them, a solid yellow ocean. The wind and the sun's rays were going across them in opposite directions, the wind eddying them into waves, the sun gleaming sideways across, tipping each wave with a brilliant shine. My horse stopped."

"All of a sudden such a wave of feeling came over me that I lost control and broke into sobs and tears. I wept aloud, and then became hysterical and went into laughter. Every time I raised my eyes to the field I lost control again, and it was several minutes before I gained self-possession enough to make the horse go on. The sight of yellow has always since had the effect of sending through me a strange thrill."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Mrs. Roosevelt Won't Shake Hands.

Of Mrs. Roosevelt's tact many stories could be told. She has very decided opinions as to what she should and should not do, and she manages to carry her point without giving offense to anyone. Our American habit of indiscriminate hand-shaking is very distasteful to her, and she made up her mind when she went to Albany that she would not have her hand shaken by the hundreds who pass her at the official receptions. Accordingly, at her first reception she charmed the crowd with her sweet smile and pleasant words, but both her hands were observed to be tightly holding a huge bouquet.—Rheta Childe Dorr, in Woman's Home Companion.

English Enterprise.

The following obituary notice from a newspaper published in an English town shows enterprise: "Died, on the 11th inst., at his shop, Greenwich street, Mr. Edward Jones, much respected by all who knew and dealt with him. As a man he was amiable, as a master upright and moderate. His virtues were beyond all praise, and his beaver hats only 15 shillings each. He has left a widow to deplore his loss, and a large stock to be sold cheap for the benefit of his family."

Men and Irishmen.

An Irishman says one man is as good as another, and if he's an Irishman he's a great deal better.—Chicago Daily News.

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